

2007 Current Fiscal Year Report: Intergovernmental Advisory Committee to the Regional Interagency Executive Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Agriculture

2. Fiscal Year

2007

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Intergovernmental Advisory Committee to the Regional Interagency Executive Committee

3b. GSA

Committee No.

1923

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

04/18/2005

6. Expected Renewal Date

04/18/2007

7. Expected Term Date

04/18/2007

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

04/18/2007

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

11. Establishment Authority

Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

AGENCY/Departmental Regulation 1043-36

13. Effective Date

09/20/1994

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1 Meetings and Dates

Purpose

This will be our last IAC meeting. Members will be provided with informational updates on several projects of interest including monitoring, recovery plans, agency planning activities, and others. Time has also been set aside for updates from the non-Federal members that relate to the Northwest Forest Plan area. Finally, we will recognize the dedication of the committee members and celebrate the great work of the group over the past 13 years.

Start

End

03/20/2007 - 03/20/2007

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

Current FY Next FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$2,000.00 \$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$5,000.00 \$0.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$750.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$750.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.30	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC) was formed to advise the Federal agencies regarding implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan on federal lands and to provide a forum for better integration of forest ecosystem management activities among federal and non-federal governmental entities across jurisdictional boundaries. The advisory committee accomplishes this task by providing a forum in which members from Federal, State, local, and tribal governments can come together to share knowledge, perspectives and advice.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The IAC is composed of the following 21 members: 1 representative each from the States of Washington, Oregon, and California (for a total of 3 representatives, usually from the Governor's staff); 1 representative each from natural resource management associations representing affected tribes in the States of Washington, Oregon, and California (for a total of 3 representatives); 1 representative for the affected counties of Washington, Oregon, and California (for a total of 3 representatives); and 1 representative from each of the following Federal agencies (for a total of 12 representatives): U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service Research, Environmental Protection Agency Research, and USGS Biological Resources Division. No private interests are represented on the IAC.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The intergovernmental advisory committee met only 1 time in FY 2007. That meeting was used to consider opportunities for continued communication among the IAC members through other existing venues outside of a FACA chartered committee.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The IAC was established in 1994 to ensure intergovernmental coordination,

communication and consistent implementation of the NWFP. In the early years of the NWFP, the IAC met frequently to coordinate activities and resolve implementation issues. Over the years, many implementation issues were resolved, and effective patterns of intergovernmental coordination were established. Consequently, the IAC began to meet less frequently and it evolved into more of an information sharing and relationship building forum. While these functions are very important, they do not require the time and expense of a Federally-chartered advisory committee. As a result a decision was made to allow the charter for this committee to expire.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

Designated Federal Officer

Anne Badgley Executive Director, Regional Ecosystem Office

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Allen, David	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Brong, Elaine	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	USDI Bureau of Land Management	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Crawford, Bruce	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	State of WA Representative	Representative Member
Fontaine, Thomas	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Research	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
George, Merv	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	CA Indian Forestry and Fire Management Council	Representative Member
Goodman, Linda	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	U.S. Forest Service	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Graham, Bob	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	Natural Resource Conservation Service	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Guistina, Laraway	09/15/2005	04/18/2007	Oregon State Board of Forestry	Representative Member
Herrera, David	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	NW Indian Fisheries Commission	Representative Member
Jarvis, Jonathan	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	National Park Service	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Kinsinger, Anne	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	USGS Biological Resources Division	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Lohn, Robert	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	National Marine Fisheries Service	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
McKee, Albert	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	WA County Representative	Representative Member
McVay, Rocky	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	OR County Representative	Representative Member
O'Donovan, Thomas	09/15/2005	04/18/2007	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Powers, David	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	Environmental Protection Agency	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Quigley, Thomas	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	USDA Forest Service, Research	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Smith, George	04/18/2005	04/18/2007	Intertribal Timber Council	Representative Member

Speaks, Stanley	04/18/2005 04/18/2007	USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Tuttle, Crawford	04/18/2005 04/18/2007	California Resources Agency	Representative Member
Woolley, John	04/18/2005 04/18/2007	CA County Representative	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 21

Narrative Description

The Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC) is composed of nine non-federal members, and 1 representative from each of the following Federal agencies: U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service Research, Environmental Protection Agency Research, and USGS Biological Resources Division. The collective mission of the nine Federal agencies that sit on the IAC is the successful implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan. The mission or strategic plan of the Northwest Forest Plan is based on five key principles: 1) Focusing on the human and economic dimensions of natural resource management; 2) Protecting the long-term health of forests, wildlife and waterways 3) Focusing on efforts that are scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible; 4) Producing predictable and sustainable levels of timber sales and non-timber resources; and 5) Ensuring that Federal agencies work together. These five key principles embody an ecosystem approach to land management that requires the agencies to consider the implications of forest management activities on not only Federal lands, but on lands under a variety of ownerships across the landscape. The IAC is essential in this regard. The IAC advises the agencies regarding implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan on federal lands, and provides a forum for better integration of forest ecosystem management activities among federal and non-federal (state, tribal and local) governmental entities across jurisdictional boundaries.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

It is difficult to assess the value of taking an ecosystem approach to decision making. There are undoubtedly savings associated with the formulation of decisions which are responsive to the needs and concerns of local, state, and tribal partners.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

1

Number of Recommendations Comments

IAC members provided recommendations on how IAC members could stay engaged with particular NWFP implementation topics in the future

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

100%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

It was agreed that the RIEC would seek to continue communication among the IAC members through other existing venues

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

NA

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Points of advice are captured during the meeting in notes and on flip charts, and reflected in the meeting minutes. Minutes are distributed electronically two weeks after the meeting, and are also available on the Regional Ecosystem Office website (www.reo.gov). When applicable, presentations are made to the IAC at committee meetings.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



Access Comments

Committee members can gain access to information from a variety of resources, including 1) www.reo.gov (interagency website); 2) www.reo.gov/iac (committee website); 3) IAC Handbook (a handbook consisting of applicable background information, policy memoranda, reports, contact information, etc.); and 4) IAC Liaison (an individual within the Regional Ecosystem Office that has been designated to disseminate timely information, and field questions and concerns from the IAC).